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I was the sixth child of ten children born to Isaac D. and Ida A. Clift McDonald. I was born in Daniel Ward, Wasatch County, Utah. I spent a little less than 6 years in Daniel and 8 years in Heber City. When I was 14 we moved into Heber 1st Ward where we lived until I married on May 5, 1930.

Dad ran sheep and was doing well in this business until after the 9th child was born. World War I was over, but so was the market for wool. Many sheepmen lost out at this time.

Before graduation from High School, I married Henry L. Thielke and moved to Park City, Utah. Our first child, Wm. David Thielke was born one and one half years later. Our second child, Liesa Joan came a little over three years later.

Work was hard to find and Henry told me he was tired of living in such a worrysome way of life and he wanted to be free. The children remained with me.

I worked for Dr. Karl O. & Florence Nielson at their home and at his offices as a cleaning woman.

Five years later, I married Warren Oaks. A year and one half later our only child, John R. was born. I stayed home and cared for my children until John was 9 years old, then I worked for the next 14 years as a laundress at the old Heber Hospital. When John was 17 he went into the Navy and Warren and I found there was no reason to continue this marriage.

I continued to work at the hospital and I also took care of Doctor's homes and baby sitting. This kept me very busy, but I managed to complete my High School education by taking a course in the B.Y.U. correspondence College English. I was permitted to attend the graduation of the 1958 Wasatch High School Class.

On August 14, 1964, James F. Compton and I were married in Elko, Nevada. We made our home in a trailer at Hilton's Trailer Park. Jim and I were very happy and we traveled a lot for 6½ years. On January 31, 1971, Jim died of a massive heart attack.

When the proper time had passed I was sealed to Jim for time and all eternity. I have gained great comfort in this.

I authored the articles "The Golden Years" and Let's Get Acquainted" and really enjoy working for the Wasatch Wave.

My children all live in the State of Utah and we visit often. In my younger years I have worked in every auxillary of the church. I am very close to the church.

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